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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicants have not submitted copies of U.S. patents and published U.S. patent applications. Applicants submit herewith copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent literature references in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants also submit herewith a copy of the ESR.

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